# Ripped from the **ROUNDUP**

Ripped straight from the pages of old Space News Roundups, here's what happened at JSC on this date:

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he first major piece of actual flight-type hardware for America's human lunar exploration program, Apollo, underwent its shakedown test February 5 at the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center's White Sands Operation in New Mexico.

The flight-weight Service Module segment of the Apollo spacecraft was fired for 10 seconds in the Propulsion Systems Development Facility (PSDF) at White Sands.

The static firing of the Service Propulsion Subsystem (SPS) engine began a test series designed to help determine the flight readiness of a similar Service Module programmed for the first test of the flight-type Apollo hardware from Cape Kennedy next year.

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ASA is donating a 26-meter antenna located at the Orroral Valley Tracking Station in Australia to the Australian University of Tasmania. The Orroral Valley Station ceased operations in December 1984.

The antenna had been used in a variety of NASA and international programs including the Skylab Program, the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project and the Space Shuttle Program.NASA has offered to provide assistance for the dismantling and transfer of the antenna to Hobart, Tasmania, Australia.

The University of Tasmania's Physics department, one of Australia's major center's for astronomy and astrophysics, will use the antenna as part of its teaching and research activities.

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ver the Pacific Ocean in the void of space, two 100-ton spacecraft orbited within 37 feet of each other Monday as the Space Shuttle *Discovery* and the Russian Space Station Mir completed a historic rendezvous.

The rendezvous and flyaround set the stage for the linkup of *Atlantis* to Mir four months from now in the first of seven planned dockings as part of the first phase of a joint cooperative program between the



### LeBlanc, Moser get Secretarial Excellence Awards

atricia LeBlanc of the International Space Station Program Office and Kathleen Moser of the Mission Operations Directorate each recently received the Marilyn J. Bockting Secretarial Excellence Award in recognition of their exceptional contributions to the effective operation of JSC through professional competence and personal dedication.

LeBlanc was recognized in December for her outstanding organizational and leadership skills when transitioning from the Space Shuttle Program Office to the ISS



Patricia LeBlanc

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Program Office. As the lead secretary in both of these dynamic program offices, she effectively and efficiently coordinates program-level schedules and manages priorities to ensure that all critical requirements are met and conflicts are resolved. Her job often requires her to handle multiple requirements simultaneously and coordinate activities for a program office in which everyone's requests are the "most important." She is an outstanding secretary who can be depended on to get the job done no matter what it takes and is a tremendous asset and a valuable team member.

Moser was recognized in January for her contributions as secretary of the Mission Integration and Schedule Management Office. She provides essential support to the core production work for which MISMO is responsible. The office provides station flight integration, preparation, and production schedule services to internal (MOD) and external customers.

Moser is responsible for making timecritical updates to technical briefings, reports, and schedules that are presented to senior JSC and ISS management teams on a weekly basis. The outstanding quality of the MOD weekly review package is a testament to her knowledge, skill and dedication.

Moser is responsible for using Power-Point to maintain graphically formatted integrated production schedules. In addition to the integrated schedules, she maintains 25-30 other weekly charts and tables. During the past nine months she has used her extensive production experience to help the office choose a new software tool. This tool, which she is learning to use, will provide significant automation of manual tasks, thereby significantly reducing schedule production times.

Active in the MOD Secretarial Working Group, Moser supports the Public Affairs Office during space shuttle missions and the JSC Educational Outreach Program as an elementary school tutor.



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Kathleen Moser

## GILRUTH CENTER NEWS

#### Sign up policy:

All classes and athletic activities are on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign up in person at the Gilruth Center and show a yellow Gilruth or weight room badge. Classes tend to fill up two weeks in advance. Payment must be made in full, cash or by check, at the time of registration. No registration will be taken by telephone. For more information, call x33345

#### Gilruth badges:

Required for use of the Gilruth Center. Employees, spouses, eligible dependents, NASA retirees and spouses may apply for photo identification badges from 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays. Cost is \$10. Dependents must be between 16 and 23 years old.

Open from 6:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 6:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. Contact the Gilruth Center at (281) 483-3345. http://www4.jsc.nasa.gov/ah/exceaa/Gilruth/Gilruth.htm

**Nutrition intervention program**: Six-week program includes lectures, a private consultation with the dietitian and blood analysis to chart your progress. Program is open to all employees, contractors and spouses. For details call Tammie Shaw at x32980.

**Defensive driving**: One-day course is offered once a month at the Gilruth Center. Pre-registration required. Cost is \$25. Call for next available class.

**Stamp club**: Meets every second and fourth Monday at 7 p.m. in Rm. 216.

**Weight safety**: Required course for employees wishing to use the Gilruth weight room. Pre-registration is required. Cost is \$5. Annual weight room use fee is \$90. The cost for additional family members is \$50.

**Exercise**: Low-impact class meets from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Cost is \$24 for eight weeks.

**Step/bench aerobics**: Low-impact cardiovascular workout. Classes meet from 5:15-6:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Cost is \$32 for eight weeks. Kristen Taraszewski, instructor.

**Yoga**: Stretching class of low-impact exercises designed for people of all ages and abilities in a Westernized format. Meets Thursdays 5-6 p.m. Cost is \$32 for eight weeks. Call Darrell Matula, instructor, at x38520 for more information.

**Ballroom dancing**: Classes meet Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. for beginner, 8:30-9:30 p.m. for intermediate and 7:30-8:30 p.m. for advanced. Cost is \$60 per couple.

**Country and western dancing**: Beginner class meets 7-8:30 p.m. Monday. Advanced class (must know basic steps to all dances) meets 8:30-10 p.m. Monday. Cost is \$20 per couple.

**Fitness program**: Health-related fitness program includes a medical screening examination and a 12-week individually prescribed exercise program. For details call Larry Wier at x30301.

**Aikido**: Martial arts class for men and women meets 5-6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. No special equipment or knowledge is needed to participate. Aikido teaches balance and control to defend against an opponent without using strength or force. Beginning and advanced classes start each month. Cost is \$35 per month.

# TICKET WINDOW

# The following discount tickets are available at the Exchange Stores General Cinema Theaters \$5.50 Sony Loew's Theaters \$5.50 AMC Theaters \$5.00 Moody Gardens (2 events) (does not include Aquarium Pyramid) \$10.75 Moody Gardens (Aquarium only) \$9.25 Space Center Houston adult \$11.00 child (age 4-11) \$7.25 (JSC civil service employees free.) Space Center Houston annual pass \$18.75 Postage Stamps (book of 20) \$6.60 Clear Lake Coupon Books \$30.00

Please bring your driver's license to pay by personal check.

#### **Exchange Store hours**

Monday-Friday

Bldg. 3 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Bldg. 11 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

- ➤ All tickets are nonrefundable.
- ➤ Metro tokens and value cards are available.
- Franklin Planners now available.

For additional information, please call x35350.